PUBLIC WORKS III3 BROADWAY P.O. BOX 218 HIGHLAND, IL 62249

Public Works



BID (618) 654-6823 **AWARDED**

APRIL 6, 2012

PW-05-11 Sanitary Sewer Cured Place Pipe awarded Walden Associated Technologies of Glen Carbon

- \$124,861.54 -Contract amount
- \$130,000 - Funds received from Madison County Development Block Grant for project.
- 5,870 The number of linear feet of old sewer lines that will be cleaned, televised, and relined.

Joe Gillespie **Director**

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Spring Rains

In the past five years the city of Highland has had an average of 45.16 inches of rain per year. 2008 was the wettest year in history with 57.97 inches that year. While March felt more like summer this year, it is the time to start thinking about the spring rains and the problems they can bring.

For the Public Works Department the rains bring the threat of street flooding as well as other drainage related issues. The City tries to head off any flooding that may occur by keeping the storm drains open and flowing. To this end the Street Department utilizes the street sweeper, clearing ditches and drainage swales of debris, and unclogging or replacing collapsed culverts and storm drains.

Residents can help by not placing yard debris into the street. By keeping lawn clippings and leaves out of the street the storm drains are easier to keep clean. The city's contracted trash haulers will remove unlimited amounts of yard waste along with your regular trash pick up as long as it is properly prepared. All leaves, grass clippings, twigs and brush will be picked up if placed in a brown kraft paper bag, a trash can that has been marked with a red x, or has been arranged into easily managed bundles of not more that 4' lengths. The diameter of



Culvert is completly blocked by discarded yard debris.

limbs should not exceed 4".

Drainage swale has been filled in with landscaping.

If your yard has a drainage

ditch, keeping this waterway clear of obstructions will help keep rain water in the ditch. Many subdivisions were designed with drainage ways in the easements. Homeowners can help manage the storm water in their neighborhoods by keeping these areas properly maintained and clear of obstructions.

No one can control the weather, but there are things that

we can all do to try to minimize the effects.